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In re Application of:  
Shinichiro Taniguchi, et al.  
Application No. 09/454,865  
Filed: December 7, 1999  
For: Distribution Information Management  
System and Method

**DECISION ON PETITION  
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.181**

This is a decision on the petition filed October 20, 2005 under 37 CFR § 1.181 to invoke Supervisory Authority of the Commissioner and require the Examiner withdraw the finality of the September 1, 2005 office action.

The petition is **DISMISSED AS MOOT.**

On October 20, 2005, applicant's counsel filed a petition to the Director under 37 CFR § 1.181 to seek relief from actions of the examiner in relation to the Final Office action mailed September 1, 2005. In the petition, applicant's counsel states that the September 1<sup>st</sup> office action failed to provide the required specificity to enable applicant's to fully understand and respond to the rejection. Numerous items are lists in the petition that allegedly need further explanation. The applicant attempted to get clarification during the October 6<sup>th</sup>, 2005 interview but was not satisfied with the results received during the interview.

On February 1st 2006, a request for continued examination was filed which resulted in the finality of the September 1<sup>st</sup> office action being withdrawn.

Accordingly, the petition is **DISMISSED AS MOOT.**

Any inquiry concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned whose telephone number is (571) 272-3612.

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